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Mr. Herbert R. Bivens  
United Telephone Company, Inc.  
120 Taylor Street  
Chapel Hill, TN 37034

Dear Sir:

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Sincerely,

*Joe Werner BY CSM*

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Mrs. Louise Brown  
Loretto Telephone Company, Inc.  
P.O. Box 130  
Loretto, TN 38469

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Mr. Jeff Jung  
TDS Telecom  
301 S. Westfield Rd  
Madison, WI 53717-1799

Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc.  
Humphrey's County Telephone Co.  
Tellico Telephone Co., Inc.  
Tennessee Telephone Co., Inc.

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Mr. David Espinoza  
Millington Telephone Company  
4880 Navy Rd.  
Millington, TN 38053

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Mr. Jeffrey S. Glover  
CenturyTel of Claiborne, Inc.  
CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc.  
CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, Inc.  
P.O. Box 4065  
Monroe, LA 71211-4065

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Mr. Levoy Knowles  
Ben Lomand Communications, Inc.  
P.O. Box 670  
McMinnville, TN 37111

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Mr. George Bailey  
Ardmore Telephone Company, Inc.  
P.O. Box 549  
Ardmore, TN 38449

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Mr. Richard M. Tettelbaum, Esq.  
Citizens Communications of the Volunteer State  
Citizens Communications of Tennessee  
6905 Rockledge Dr. Suite 600  
Bethesda, MD 20817

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